

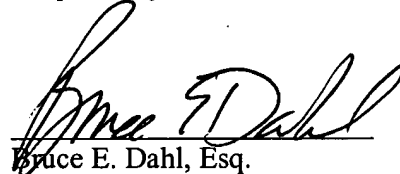
REMARKS

In the office action, dated June 22, 2006, the examiner issued a restriction requirement and directed Applicants to elect to proceed with claims in either Group I (claims 1-5), Group II (claims 6-20), or Group III (claims 21-30).

Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group II. Applicants understand that, once the election is entered, the non-elected claims will be considered withdrawn. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims at the appropriate time.

Applicants ask the examiner to grant an early allowance. If any questions or issues remain to be resolved the examiner is requested to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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